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IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: HIRAGA, Yoshiyuki et al. Conf.: 6683

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For: STABILIZED FLUORINE-CONTAINING POLYMER
& METHOD FOR STABILIZING FLUORINE-
CONTAINING POLYMER

AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

November 4, 2002
(Monday)

Sir:

In reply to the Examiner's Office Action dated May 3, 2002, the period for reply being extended three (3) months to November 3, 2002, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

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Claim 1. (Twice Amended) A melt formed tetrafluoroethylene-hexfluoropropylene copolymer containing 1.0×10^{14} spins/g or less of unpaired electrons on the carbon atoms in terms of a spin density measured with electron spin resonance at a temperature of

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